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### **Historical Society Foundation hosting Holly Hoffman on March 25-26**

PIERRE, S.D. -- Motivational speaker and former “Survivor” contestant Holly Hoffman will be signing copies of her book *Your Winner Within* on March 25-26 in Pierre.

Book signings will take place from 3-4:30 p.m. CDT on Monday, March 25, at the Heritage Store on the first floor of the Capitol, and from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, at the Cultural Heritage Center. Hoffman will give a brief presentation at noon on March 26 about the book and what inspired her to write it.

The book signings are sponsored by the South Dakota Historical Society Foundation, the nonprofit fundraising partner of the South Dakota State Historical Society.

“Holly is a true pioneer,” said Foundation President Michael Lewis. “She has met challenges with courage. She never gives up.”

After all three of her children left for college, the Eureka resident wanted a new challenge and adventure in her life. Hoffman applied for and was accepted for season 21 of the television reality show “Survivor.”

The show, broadcast in 2010, took place in the middle of the jungle in Nicaragua. Hoffman got off to a bad start and wanted to quit on day five. Remembering that she was representing her family, friends and state, she made a turnaround and kept going. She was the last woman standing and finished fourth at the end of the season.

The end of that season of “Survivor” was the beginning for Hoffman. She became an inspirational and motivational speaker, telling about the key characteristics that she believes are needed to survive in life.

Hoffman’s book, *Your Winner Within*, not only offers encouragement and optimism, but a roadmap for self-discovery and spiritual enlightenment. The methods and ideas she presents in the book are ones she uses herself to achieve success.

Hoffman will have books available for sale. For more information, call (605) 773-6006.

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*Historical Society. The Department is led by Secretary James D. Hagen. The State Historical Society, an Affiliate of the Smithsonian Institute, is headquartered at the South Dakota Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre. The center houses the society's world-class museum, the archives, and the historic preservation, publishing and administrative/development offices. Call (605) 773-3458 or visit [www.history.sd.gov](http://www.history.sd.gov) for more information. The society also has an archaeology office in Rapid City; call (605) 394-1936 for more information.*